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AG	6.	"Portable, Small Contact Area Surface Resistance Probe Assembly," IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin, vol. 37, no. 02B (Feb. 1994)		Yes

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